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## NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

## Filing Date Granted

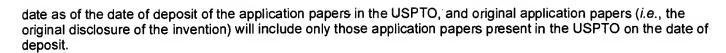
This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 7A, 7B, 7C, & 7D described in the specification.
- I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.
- II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.
- III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS <u>TWO MONTH</u> PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b)**. In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing



In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SOLVING	)	•
AN INEQUALITY CONSTRAINED GLOBAL	)	
OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM	)	

## **Transmittal for Corrected Application Papers**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In connection with the above-referenced U. S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following papers:

- [x] Petition to Grant Filing Date;
- [x] A copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers received from the USPTO, mailed on February 6, 2002;
- [x] 8 sheets of Formal Drawings;
- [x] Declaration in support of Petition;
- [x] A copy of the postcard returned by the USPTO; and
- [x] A petition fee of \$130.00.

[x] Please deduct any <u>underpayments</u>, credit any <u>overpayments</u>, and charge all required <u>extension of time fees</u> to Deposit Account Number 50-1003. (Docket No. SUN-P6432-SPL).

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Patent Application for:
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SOLVING AN INEQUALITY CONSTRAINED GLOBAL OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM
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